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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Office action of March 23, 2006, the above-identified application has been amended.

The drawings have been rejected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they do not include the following reference signs mentioned in the description, namely, pocket 59. In addition, applicant has detected the omission of reference sign 54 for a window. These reference signs have been added to the amended Fig. 2 and a replacement drawing sheet has been provided in accordance 37 CFR 1.21(d).

In Paragraph 5 of the Office action, claims 3-8, 10 and 58 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 1 has amended to incorporate the elements of claims 2-5. In amending claim 1, it is believed that the questions relating to indefiniteness have been responded to. The language "unitary horizontal frame and flexible envelope adapted to telescopically engage the vertical supports removably mounted at the top of the framework" has been amended. The words "horizontal frame" has been replaced with the word "extension" and the claim now specifies that the collapsible unitary extension and flexible envelope are removably mounted at the top of the vertical framework and adapted to be telescopically engaged therewith. It is believed that the word "extension" is a more specific term and replaces the words "horizontal frame" of claim 3. The understanding that the upper frame 30 is not horizontally collapsible is correct. Note that the collapsible unitary extension is defined to include a flexible envelope which, in effect, acts as an extension of the flexible, collapsible containment envelope in Paragraph (c) of the claim.

Claim 10 has been amended to specify that that the apparatus is movable in either the collapsed or extended position.

Claim 58 has been amended to delete the phrase "or the like".

It is believed, by the foregoing amendments, that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, have been addressed.

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In Paragraph 7 of the Office action, claims 1-4 have been rejected under 34 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,062,871 to Lemon III.

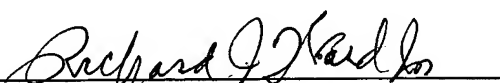
In Paragraph 8 of the Office action, claims 5-8 and 10 have been indicated to appear to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. It is believed that by virtue of the amendment of claim 1 and incorporating the elements of claims 2-5 into the amended claim 1 that claim 1 is now allowable. As noted above, claim 10 has been amended to designate that the word "extended" modifies the word "condition" in the claim.

In Paragraph 9 of the Office action, claim 58 is indicated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. As noted above claim 58 has been thus amended.

In Paragraph 10 of the Office action, it is indicated that claims 11-57 are allowed and applicant respectfully acknowledges the allowance of these claims.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now in the application are allowable and an indication to that effect is respectfully requested.

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APPENDIX

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached drawing sheet includes changes to FIG. 2. The attached drawing sheet is a replacement and includes amendments to Fig. 2. This sheet is a replacement drawing sheet which replaces an earlier replacement drawing sheet of Fig. 2.

Fig. 2 has been amended to include inadvertently omitted reference numerals 54 and 59.

Applicant also submits a copy of amended Fig. 2 showing the amendments highlighted in accordance with MPEP 608.02(v). Entry of the amendments to the drawing is respectfully requested.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet Fig. 2
 Annotated Sheet Showing Changes



FIG. 2

